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TO : MEMO FOR THE RECORD

FROM : General Counsel

SUBJECT: Item for the Daily Log

DATE: 16 June 1952

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1. In connection with the suit by [redacted] against [redacted] of the APA (American Psychological Association), [redacted] notified me that his lawyer was dismissing the case without prejudice. Since this would permit refiling of the suit at a later date, I asked [redacted] what would be the basis for final dismissal with prejudice. He said he would be satisfied with a letter from [redacted] stating in effect that his position with the APA and his professional reputation were not impugned on the basis of any records in the files of APA.

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On Friday, 13 June, I discussed this with Mr. Arthur Hansen, attorney for [redacted] and APA, merely to furnish him with information. I stated any action in connection with such a letter would be a matter between himself and [redacted] attorney, Mr. Clark. 25X1

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[redacted] further informed me that the internal disputes over his activities and administration would be resolved to his satisfaction by a statement in writing from Colonel Baird that the various complaints had been reviewed and the conclusion reached that they did not substantially indict his professional competence or his administrative performance. Colonel Baird informed me he would be willing to make such a statement.

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[redacted] then said he wished to take a GS-15 position but that Colonel Baird had refused to approve his promotion to the 15 in that position. I said that I believed this was not an accurate reflection of Colonel Baird's views and I discussed this with Colonel Baird. He stated to me that he would not approve a promotion for [redacted] in his present capacity, but that if his new superior wished to put him in the new position at a 15, he would approve the promotion in that capacity. Meanwhile [redacted] had turned down the GS-15 job on the grounds that his chances for promotion were blocked. I so informed Colonel Baird who said he had talked to [redacted] and made quite clear his position as set forth above. 25X1

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